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NOTICE OF EX PARTE PRESENTATION

December 22, 2006

VIA ECFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Portals II, Room TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

**RE: Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation regime/Missoula Plan
 Phantom Traffic Interim Process CC Docket No. 01-92 and High-Cost
 Universal Service Support WC Docket No. 05-337**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On December 21, 2006 Daniel Hesse, David Zesiger and I representing Embarq, met with Commissioner Robert M. McDowell and John Hunter, Legal Advisor to Commissioner McDowell to discuss the above-referenced dockets.

During the meeting, we discussed Embarq's participation in the Missoula Group process and the positive results the Missoula Interim Phantom Traffic proposal would accomplish. In addition, we discussed the challenges posed by a reverse auction concept, which were raised in Embarq's comments in the docket. We also discussed how universal service support could be better targeted to truly high-cost areas and tied to the carrier-of-last-resort obligation.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, an electronic copy of the letter is being filed for inclusion in the above-referenced dockets. Please direct any questions regarding this filing to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

David C. Bartlett
Vice President Federal Government Affairs

cc: Commissioner Robert M. McDowell
John Hunter

